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Memorandum

TO : Mr. Callahan

DATE: 3/11/69

FROM : J. P. Dunphy

SUBJECT: MURKIN

This is the case involving the killing of Martin Luther King.

On 3/10/69 subject Ray was sentenced to 99 years in prison. John Carlisle, Chief Investigator, District Attorney General's Office, Shelby County, Memphis, Tennessee, called on 3/10/69 advising that the two models prepared by the Bureau were used extensively during subject's trial yesterday and that many favorable comments were received concerning them.

Now that the trial has been concluded, Carlisle wishes to know what disposition the Bureau desires to be made of the two trial models. It was pointed out to Carlisle that since they had been introduced in evidence they were the property of the court and the presiding Judge would be the one to indicate what should be done with them. Carlisle advised they nevertheless wanted to make whatever disposition the Bureau desired. According to Carlisle the Memphis Police Department has expressed an interest in obtaining these models for use in their police training academy.

SAC Jensen advises the models were of great assistance during the trial and that while there would be no objections to furnishing the models to the Memphis Police Department, he felt they might be put to better use at the Bureau.

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In view of the tremendous amount of public interest in the killing of King and the trial of Ray, either or both of these models might very well lend themselves to effective display on the tour route. They would also lend themselves very well to be utilized as training aids in our Training Division. It is therefore felt that Carlisle should be advised that if the Judge so desires, these models should be returned to the Bureau.

RECOMMENDATION:

That Carlisle be advised to inform the Judge that the Bureau can make use of these models here in Washington if he has no objection to returning them to us.

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